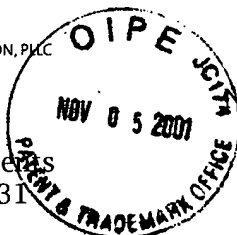




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Assignee: SUMITOMO CHEMICAL COMPANY, LIMITED
 Our Ref: Q48500

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Base Fee									\$740.00
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TOTAL FILING FEE									\$1,104.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$1,104.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,
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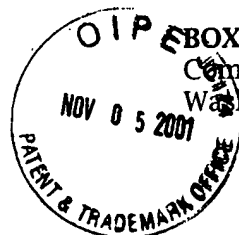
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